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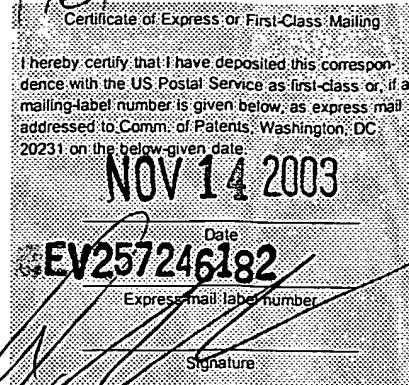


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## SECOND AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action (paper 6) mailed 14 August 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS**

Replace the originally filed Specification with the Substitute Specification attached hereto. Also attached hereto is a copy of a marked-up version of the original text.